



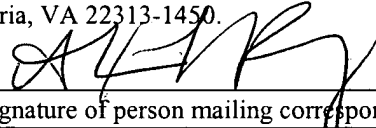
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Applicant:	Stephen T. Sonis	Art Unit:	1617
Serial No.:	10/005,642	Examiner:	Wang, Shengjun
Filed:	December 5, 2001	Customer No.:	21559
Title:	TREATMENT OF INFLAMMATORY ORAL DISEASES WITH A COMBINATION OF INHIBITORS OF TNF-ALPHA AND IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE AGENTS		

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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31

Applicant respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated September 2, 2005, in which the Office twice rejected claims 1, 3, and 6, in connection with the above-referenced patent application. Applicant notes that pending claims 2 and 5 have been withdrawn from consideration, and are not appealed.

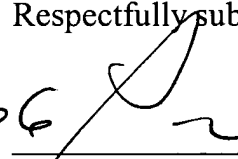
Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the rejection for 3 months, to and including March 2, 2006.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$250.00 for the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1) for this Notice of Appeal. If there are any additional charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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